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Celebrate Here Friday, June 10

Next Friday Gleichen folks will celebrate Alberta's Golden Jubilee.

The big doing will take place at the ball park and will get under way at one o'clock.

There will be a couple of baseball games with Brooks, Hussar and Gleichen providing sport.

There will be six horse races of various kinds and those folks who would like to pick up a few odd dollars will have the opportunity to bet all they like.

Also on the program are children's sports of various kinds.

Gleichen usually celebrates Empire Day but this year it was cancelled on account of late seeding and wet weather. So Friday's show is to some extent the postponed Empire Day sports.

Golden Jubilee Recollections

The homesteader of 1905 was ambitious, gregarious, hard-working optimistic. As he wrested his quarter section from the wilderness, built his cabin and broke the land, he could see a great future for the west.

The home stead regulations in 1905 permitted any males over 18 years of age, or any widows, to obtain a quarter section of land free of charge. They had to erect a dwelling on the land and reside there for at least six months a year for three years. During this time, they had to bring 15 acres under cultivation.

As an alternative they might live in the district, but off his land, and bring 30 acres under cultivation.

If the land was better suited for ranching, the prospective homesteader could fence 80 acres and maintain at least 20 horses or cattle, instead of breaking land.

At the end of three years, if the homesteader fulfilled all the regulations, he was given a free title to the quarter.

Because this offer was not limited to Canadians, thousands of immigrants came to Alberta from the United States, England, Scotland and central Europe.

When the land seeker arrived in Alberta, he found that there were no taxes, except in the incorporated towns or where the farmers themselves levied taxes to pay for schools and roads. These ranged from \$7.50 to \$10 a year on each quarter section.

To build his cabin, the homesteader was free to use any timber on his land. If this was insufficient he could obtain from crown lands up to 3000 linear feet of timber 2000 poplar fence rails, 400 root poles, 500 fence posts, and dry timber for fuel, all for 25 cents. If he wanted additional fuel he could buy coal at the mines for about \$1 a ton.

When he was ready to supplement his farm with stock and equipment, the homesteader found that the prices were not unreasonable, considering that he was in a frontier area. Three-year-old steers sold for \$35 to \$40, milk cows \$30 to \$50, work horses \$250 to \$350 per team, driving horses \$100 to \$150 each, and ponies \$20 to \$35 each. His equipment was also reasonable. Binders could be bought for \$150, mowers \$60, rakes \$30, walking plows \$20, sulky plows \$55, gang plows \$75 and disc harrows \$40.

The cost of living in 1905 was not too hard a burden. Sugar was about six cents a pound, tea and coffee 30 cents a pound, bacon 13 cents a pound, flour \$2.75 per 100-pound bag.

If he lacked sufficient funds to remain on his homestead all year, the immigrant usually sought work in the neighborhood. In 1905, the going wage for an experience hand was \$20 a month with room and lodging. A greenhorn could expect little more than his room and board. In the towns, capable bricklayer or plasterer received 55 cents an hour, carpenters 35 cents an hour, and laborers \$2 a day.

The government had some

sound advice for persons who were considering coming west. Here are just a few:

A man accustomed to farming in Canada or United States might bring his family with him. A man from Great Britain would probably do better to bring them later.

If he already has his tools, he might bring them, if he is bringing a car of effects. Otherwise, freight charges are high; all classes of goods, exactly suited to the country, can be bought in towns at reasonable prices.

The Peace River country is not yet developed; but there are known to be areas of rich agricultural land in which there are now small settlements. Fine climate, similar to that of Edmonton. But very little prospect of success there until the country is opened up by railways, which is likely to be four or five years hence.

Bridges and culverts are built where needed, and roadways are usually graded up; but not gravelled or macadamized. Good travelling in ordinary seasons and every fall and winter; but rather bad during exceptionally wet summer. Roads are being improved as the country becomes settled.

FROM THE FILES OF THE CALL TWENTY YEARS AGO

B. Hartley is about the only man in the district who can claim the ownership of a race horse. At the present time he has a racing mare with a very promising racing colt at foot. The mare came from Kentucky.

The graveling gang has come and gone. Before leaving they put a second coat of coarse gravel on the highway from Strathmore to several miles east of Gleichen.

While in Gleichen they employed local men and with the many bit trucks coming and going at all hours of the day and night helped to enliven the town and keep sleepers awake.

Miss Helen McIntyre has returned from Winnipeg where she has been attending school for the past year.

E. Agilivig has arrived from Ontario to visit T. Wilson. Mr. Agilivig was here for a time last summer and liked the country so well he could not resist the temptation to make another visit.

Each day sees an increase of tourists passing through town. Cars carrying licenses from many parts of Canada and the States are frequently noted in town.

Notwithstanding the fact that the local stores have warned the ladies of the district who bring butter, that under the new regulations it is impossible to accept butter unless it weighs full 16 ounces, there is still a lot of butter coming into town that is not up to weight. This the stores cannot accept and it has to be taken back home. Inspectors now tour the country and all stores have had their first warning. The second offence means a fine.

Among the local Scots who went to Calgary to see the Scottish football team in action were: R. Brown and family; W. Brown; J. Black; R. S. Haskayne; J. Boyd; J. Egles; W. Cook; I. Gove; J. Grant. All reported having seen a wonderful game played and enjoyed it very much even though they got thoroughly soaked.

W. Bradley, government engineer spent most of last week in town supervising the laying of the second course of gravel on the main highway. Some five years Mr. Bradley lived in town supervising the construction of the main highway east and west of Gleichen.

C.W.L. Meeting

The June meeting of the C.W.L. was held last Thursday evening in the Parish Hall of St. Victor's Church at eight p.m. The president Mrs. Leo Desjardine was in the chair. The director, Rev. Fr. Violini opened the meeting with the League prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The financial report and correspondence read.

It was moved by Mrs. Bannister

that the organization have a bake sale at the Pioneer Meat Market on June 25th, the proceeds to go towards buying new side drapes for the altar.

A parish picnic was discussed and the date was set for July 24 providing a permit from the Indian department could be obtained.

Father Violini gave a very interesting talk on the Sacred Heart.

Gleichen Splits Double Header

Sunday afternoon the local seniors travelled to Shepard for the second round in the Bow Valley League. All things considered they showed good form and came home with one win which brings their number of wins to three in four starts.

The first game was hard fought but Gleichen never trailed and came out on top by a 7 to 4 count. Andy McPhee pitched the whole nine innings, showing the marks of an experienced pitcher during any tight spots. McPhee came to local Mercury's from Drumheller where he had played several seasons in the Chinook league. He was a tower of strength in the Gleichen line-up.

In the second game the local boys again started well and were in the lead until Shepard scored four runs in the fourth, which they could not overcome. Consequently the boys came out on the short end of the 5-2 score.

Ed Plante the local southpaw, started the first four innings but was relieved by Doug Green who pitched the remainder of the seven innnings game.

Jim Brown handled the catching chores for both games.

Both games were umpired by veteran ball player Bill Blaney, who showed he was capable of unrolling fans even when temperatures reached the boiling point. We understand that Mr. Blaney is now scouting for the Brooklyn system and we feel that this gave him a good chance to see the potentiality in the local club.

The Gleichen players making the trip were: Jim Brown, A. McPhee, R. Blaney, D. Brown, V. Ucak, R. Wilson, D. Wilson, G. Whitehouse, H. Sauve, O. Kufeldt, M. Johnson, R. Bain, E. Plante, D. Greene and coach R. W. Brown.

Annual Meeting

The annual missionary meeting of the United Church W.A. was held in the Gleichen United Church Thursday evening.

First on the agenda was a skit by Mrs. M. W. Bolinger, Mrs. Holton, Mrs. Holtom and Mrs. Shup. Following this the presi-

dent and secretary went forward and the meeting was opened by Mrs. Pugh with a hymn and a short prayer. The creed was repeated and the theme song sung.

Mrs. Pugh then welcomed the guests from Arrowwood, Cluny and Strathmore with a few well-chosen words.

The roll call was answered by 21 members with a United Church missionary.

Mrs. Herd gave an inspiring devotional with the theme, "I am the True Vine," after which a hymn was sung.

Minutes were read and adopted and the treasurer's report approved. Committees gave their reports, correspondence was read and bills voted paid.

W. A. members will please note that during the next three months a travelling basket will be coming their way.

The business session having been completed the meeting was adjourned by Mrs. R. W. Brown. The next meeting will be held in September.

The film strip "New Light in Indian Villages" was enjoyed by all present and proved very interesting. A pleasant evening was brought to a close with a tasty lunch.

The Gleichen W. A. ladies wish to say a special "Thank You" to all the guests who came to the meeting.

For twenty-five years Alberta rural women have had their own week—Farm Women's Week. As usual the period set aside for Farm Women's Week is July 4 to 7 at Olds. In 1930, at the suggestion of a group of farm women, the week began in Alberta. Then, as now it was designed to give rural women a week of rest and relaxation—some one else cooking the meals and tending the children—combined with lectures and demonstrations on all aspects of rural home making. The beauty of the school grounds, comfort of the dormitories and type of practical instruction offered all contribute to a most pleasant and profitable week—a week of holiday from the daily grind. Friends meet old friends and new friends are made. A popular feature has always been the exchange of handicraft ideas—so very useful for bazaar ideas as well as hobbies. The sewing sections promises to be very helpful with demonstrations and work groups in dress and finishes. The home economists hope women will bring their sewing problems with them to Farm Women's Week. Women are encouraged to get their applications in early particularly if they are planning to bring any children with them.

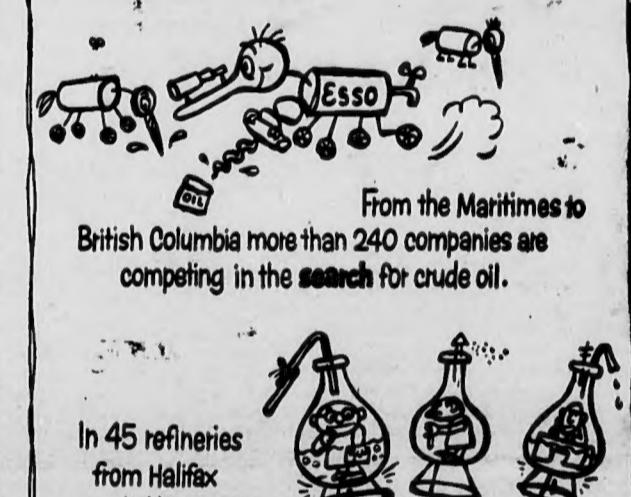
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Fires take lives many children

Half of all Canadians killed in fires each year are children under 15 years of age, according to the All Canada Insurance Federation.

Officials of the Federation, which represents more than 200 fire, automobile and casualty insurance companies, said the two leading causes of child deaths were lack of knowledge regarding what to do when fire breaks out and leaving children alone in the house.

They recommended the following precautions:

- Never leave children alone for long periods of time.

The telephone number of the local fire department should be kept near the telephone.

Make sure baby sitters are mature, responsible people; always leave complete instructions on what to do if fire breaks out.

Make sure there is always an exit for use in case of fire that is not blocked by furniture or other obstructions.

All windows and doors except fire exits, should be tightly closed at first sign of fire or smoke.

Keep at least one fire extinguisher on hand at all times, and know how to use it.

Never delay in turning in a fire alarm; the first few minutes count most.

B.C. APPLES

VERNON, B.C.—Provincial government horticulturist William Baerstock says apple crop prospects this summer are excellent. McIntosh apples, now in peak bloom in the Okanagan valley, are the main crop of this district.

AIR-CONDITION ALA CARTE
A new air-conditioning unit, which is mounted on a cart-like device, may be wheeled to any room where conditioning is desired. Installation in each temporary location is said to be quick and easy, requiring no use of tools.

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Children who missed can still have vaccine

REGINA.—Over 26,000 Saskatchewan children born in 1949 and 1950 have now received their first dose of Salk Vaccine. Health Minister T. J. Bentley has announced. However, Mr. Bentley said bad roads, fear and perhaps other factors prevented an additional ten or twelve thousand children receiving the benefit of this vaccine. The department of Public Health would like to see these "missed" children get the vaccine.

In organized Health Regions, arrangements have already been made or will be made to take care of children who through no fault of their own failed to receive the vaccine on the day arranged. The regional Medical Health Officer knowing local conditions in each region will decide if any special arrangements are necessary.

Outside organized health regions at the 15 special centres over 40 percent of the eligible children failed to show up on the appointed day due to poor roads. When the visiting teams of public health nurses go back to these special centres to give the second dose of vaccine they will give the first dose of Salk vaccine to those children who for some reason were missed on the first time around.

Officials at the department of Public Health would like to stress that Salk vaccine in Canada is safe. Hundreds of thousands of doses of this vaccine have now been given to Canadian children without any ill effects.

Approved poultry flocks increase

REGINA.—Saskatchewan's approved poultry flocks are getting larger, according to figures issued by Frank E. Payne, provincial poultry commissioner.

During the 1954 banding season, 1,024 flocks were approved," said Mr. Payne, "and these consisted of 228,889 birds. The 1953 count showed a total of 1,120 flocks approved containing 212,201 birds, giving an average flock size in 1953 of 196 and in 1954 of 212."

"This increase is significant, for the overall number of poultry in the province has steadily declined over the past few years," he said.

Saskatchewan favorite breed has continued to be light Sussex with 33.7 percent of the birds banded being of this breed. Barred Rocks held second place with 22.8 percent and New Hampshire and White Leghorns placed a close third and fourth with 14.2 percent and 13.2 percent respectively.

Summer hazard

One of the hazards of country life is that raw milk is usually the only kind obtainable—unpasteurized milk, that is. Unless pasteurization has taken place, raw milk may be the cause of undulant fever, typhoid or paratyphoid fever, or septic sore throat in those who drink it. If it is not possible to obtain pasteurized milk at camp or cottage, it is easy to make the milk quite safe by heating it to 140 degrees F. and then cooling it quickly. This few minutes' work will help to prevent these diseases which are serious and sometimes fatal.



SEVENTEEN COMMUNITIES IN SASKATCHEWAN have a direct personal interest in native-born members of the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Choir which on Tuesday, May 31, sang before 20,000 Rotarians from 90 countries gathered at the Rotary International Convention in Chicago.

Although the choir members were picked from Regina schools to facilitate weekly choir practices and rehearsals, twelve girls and four boys were born in other parts of Saskatchewan. This was shown when, in preparation for their trip into the United States, each singer listed the date and place of his or her birth. Outside of those born in Regina no two choir members were born in the same city or town.

Among the Saskatchewan communities that can claim one choir member for a native daughter or son are Birsay, Lumsden, Avonlea, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon, Fort Qu'Appelle, Lemberg, Weeks, Quill Lake, Melfort, Vanguard, Earl Grey, Farng, Kandahar, Caragana and Wadena.

"This makes our choir truly representative of Saskatchewan," said Neil Harris, Jubilee director of musical productions, after scanning the records in a final check-up to see that his charges had everything ready for their departure.

For their second visit to Chicago the choir travelled by train, going direct to Winnipeg and then south into the United States by way of Emerson. The first trip in 1954 was made by bus, with stop-overs at Milwaukee and St. Paul.

In Chicago the choir also sang before Rotary delegates from the British Commonwealth at a special Commonwealth banquet. On Wednesday morning, June 1, they were guest artists on Don McNeil's Breakfast Club radio and TV show which has an audience of 25,000,000.

From Chicago the choir travelled to Toronto for a brief visit to the Happy Gang show and then to Ottawa for a concert on Friday night, June 3, sponsored by the Ottawa branch of the Saskatchewan Alumni Association. Saskatchewan members of parliament were special guests.

Portage championship plow meet attracting large number

Challenges are flying thick and fast and the Portage la Prairie district is preparing for the biggest holiday crowd in its history, as June 22, date set for the annual Western Plowing Championships, rolls around.

Last year 8,000 people watched master prairie plowmen vie for the Grand Challenge Cup. An even bigger crowd and more out-of-the-province entries are expected for this year's contest, which will be held at the farm of Mayor Harry Veiner has announced that he will defend the title he won at last year's match. Mayor Veiner, who once won a novelty challenge race against a horse, has also promised to wrestle any mayor.

Entertainment will be provided by the R.C.H.A. band, while the Canadian Provost Corp will handle traffic. One of the buildings on the Metcalfe farm is to be converted into a dining hall, where meals will be served. Refreshments will also be available at a concession booth.

A new and important event has been added to this year's list of contests. It is the Manitoba 4-H Club competition, sponsored by the Vopni Press of Portage. The company has donated a trophy, miniature and prizes totalling \$200.

The class will be limited to novices, according to Joe Forbes, secretary-treasurer of the Plowing Match Association. No previous winners will be eligible nor will winners be allowed to compete for the Manitoba or western championships. However, they may enter one of next year's open classes.

Booklet available on fires in the home

REGINA.—A recently published booklet "Fires in the Home," produced by the department of National Health and Welfare, Ottawa, for the Canadian Civil Defence Corps, is now available in Saskatchewan. This was announced by J. O. Probe, director of Civil Defence, with the department of Social Welfare.

The illustrated booklet shows how fires are started, how they spread, and what can be done by the householder to protect a house against danger from fire. The booklet also tells and shows how to fight a small home fire and how to escape, and includes a chapter on fires in time of disaster.

Copies of the booklet are available free of charge from Mr. Probe's office. The booklet has been approved and is recommended by the provincial Fire Commissioner.

Yellow light attracts insects less than white light.

Commemorate Jubilees with new 5c stamp

On the 30th June, 1955, a new 5c postage stamp will be available throughout Canada. This new stamp is being issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The stamp was designed by Laurence Hyde of Ottawa. It will be horizontal in format, measuring 1½ by 1 inch in size and will be blue in color. The stamps are being engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa, and will be issued to postmasters in panes of 50 stamps each.

This stamp is being issued as a tribute to the thousands of pioneers who settled the two provinces and contributed to a splendid record of progress and achievement.

Principal Canadian Post Offices will have the new stamp for sale on the 30th of June. Orders for this stamp in selected mint condition may now be sent to the Philatelic Section, Financial Branch, Post Office Department, Ottawa 4, Ontario. The orders will be filled and returned at the earliest possible date after the 30th June.

Orders for new issue postage stamps only will be given preference over mixed orders for both the new issue stamps and other issues. This postage stamp is of the commemorative type and will not be re-ordered when the original supply is exhausted, and will not be overprinted with the letter "G" to indicate its use by federal government departments.

Home Workshop



The covered wagon design for rural routes may be adapted to any size mail box of the type shown in the sketch by making the platform fit the bottom of the mail box. The oxen and both sizes of wheels are traced onto the wood directly from the pattern. The small letter box with bird cut-out on the door and arms for holding periodicals is for home where the postman rings twice. Tracing diagrams for all saw lines and painting outlines for both boxes are on pattern 238. Copies of this pattern are available to readers sending 35c with name and address.



This outdoor living room set has features which do not appear in the sketch such as the extreme simplicity of construction. This appeals to the weekend furniture builder who may have only hand tools to work with. The legs and other members of this set are so designed that an ordinary hand saw is all that is needed to cut the pieces to size from stock sizes of lumber. When it is time to store them for the winter just remove the pegs. Actual-size cutting diagrams and assembling directions are on each pattern. Single patterns are 35c or all five numbers will be mailed to one address for \$1.50 postpaid.

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Forage crop seed orders exceed previous seasons

REGINA.—Seed orders received so far this spring under the Saskatchewan agriculture department's forage crop program have exceeded any previous season, according to figures released by R. E. McKenzie, director of the plant industry branch.

So far this year 3,300 farmers have received supplies. The average seed order is for 17 acres which means that some 55,000 acres will be sown with the 400,000 pounds of seed already shipped.

"With moisture conditions favorable to forage crops prevailing this spring, the chances of establishing stands are excellent," said Mr. McKenzie. "It is expected some 4,000 orders, enough to seed some 70,000 acres will be received by the end of the spring sowing season. This would mean that the spring seeding under the plan would nearly equal last year's 72,000 acres sown both in the spring and fall seasons."

Commenting on the fact a large number of grass seed orders are being received in a season where farmers generally are short of funds, Mr. McKenzie said that in some areas at least, livestock producers would appear to be in a better cash position than straight grain farmers. The past two seasons, in some areas, though difficult for many grain farmers, have been excellent for livestock men as pasture and hay crops have been above average.

The director said in the past, livestock producers have not paid enough attention to seeding culti-

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—**Love on the border**

By ANNA E. WILSON

THE grain whispered in the wheat field with a faint dry sound. It was Corrie Haswell's grain but Corrie wasn't happy as she stared at it. She ran brown hands through her hair, thinking resentfully of Rick.

It had been the year after the war that the tall Texan settled near the border and every fall since then every man around had loaded up his harvesting outfit when his own grain was in and headed south to help out Rick.

She'd vaguely resented this stranger and argued about it with her neighbor, Cliff Howard. "There's no call for you to take your outfit down there just to harvest his grain. Let him get men of his own kind."

"Why, Corrie," Cliff's tons had been mild. "It's not neighborly to feel that way about Rick just because he lives on that side of the border."

So this year she had watched the combines streaming south without a thought for her own grain even when Howard called out, "Sure you'll be all right? That outfit of yours needs a good man to start it. It's in pretty bad shape."

She'd been sure she could make out because her cousin Milt and his friends had been coming west every year for their holidays and it had been relaxation for them to harvest her wheat. So she hadn't worried even while she was riding to town to meet Milt.

At the station there was no Milt but a regretful telegram. He couldn't have chosen a worse time to get himself mixed up in a traffic accident. Already the grain was over-ripe.

Maybe it had been a mistake not to have sold the farm when her father died. Even Cliff Howard had thought it was too big a job for a girl. But there had been her aged Aunt Prisse and her small brother Jem who loved the west. Even Cliff couldn't tell her how she was to keep three people in the city on the wages she could earn. She put her hot head in her hands and sighed. If only Jem were old enough—

Over at the police station she tried to bargain with Logan. He rubbed his greying hair. "Even if it was legal, Corrie, to give you a couple of prisoners out of hand, I can't. I've got none right now."

To relieve her bitterness, she decided to send a telegram to Milt. Staring at the blank form, she could think of nothing to say. Her bitterness at Rick Rankin reached a climax and boiled over. She wondered what he'd say if anyone asked him to cross the border to help her out. Then she grew thoughtful. Maybe she'd been too hard on him. Maybe Cliff was right. She seized a spitting pen and wrote: "Please send some of the men back to harvest my grain." The girl who took the form looked surprised. "You sending this to your cousin, Miss Corrie?" "No." Corrie totalled up the words grimly and translated them into change. "Send it to Rick Rankin."

On the way home she wondered if she had wasted her money.

Morning found her worrying the harvesting machine with a wrench.

Date-Orange Pudding

Combine in a greased casserole (6-cup size) $\frac{1}{4}$ c. corn syrup, 1 tbs. grated lemon rind and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. orange juice. Preheat oven to 375° (moderately hot). Mix and sift once, then sift into a bowl, $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. once-sifted pastry flour (or $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. once-sifted all-purpose flour), $2\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. Magic Baking Powder, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt and $\frac{1}{4}$ c. fine granulated sugar. Mix in $\frac{3}{4}$ c. corn flakes, slightly crushed, and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. cut-up pitted dates. Combine 1 well-beaten egg, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. vanilla and 3 tbs. shortening, melted. Make a well in dry ingredients and add liquids; mix lightly. Turn into prepared dish. Bake in preheated oven, about 40 minutes. Serve warm, with pouring cream. Yield—6 servings.

Always Dependable**THE TILLERS**

PAT FLETCHER is back on the job at Saskatoon's Golf and Country Club \$3,000 richer and sporting the Seagram Golf Cup following his brilliant win in the Canadian Open Championships. Pat became the first Canadian in 40 years to take the crown by coming from behind in the final nine at Point Grey Golf and Country Club in Vancouver. Fletcher's 72-hole total for the open was 280, four strokes ahead of Toronto's Gordon Brydson and Bill Welch of Kennewick, Wash.

Mountie met his bride on banks of the Old Man river

Chided by her friends about having her picture taken with a handsome red-coated "mountie" Mrs. James B. Moore waved a skinny hand and remarked: "Oh shaw! he is not half as good a man as my mountie . . ."

And no doubt Constable John Bentham, RCMP, would agree for the man whose life's history he was recording for posterity was of old guard. He had served this world famous force years before the youthful officer, carrying on the traditions, was born. But the constable had some difficulty getting facts for the register which lists the men who have served with the first contingent known as the North West Mounted Police; the second The Royal North West Mounted Police and the RCMP. Mrs. Moore became sad and non-communicative at the

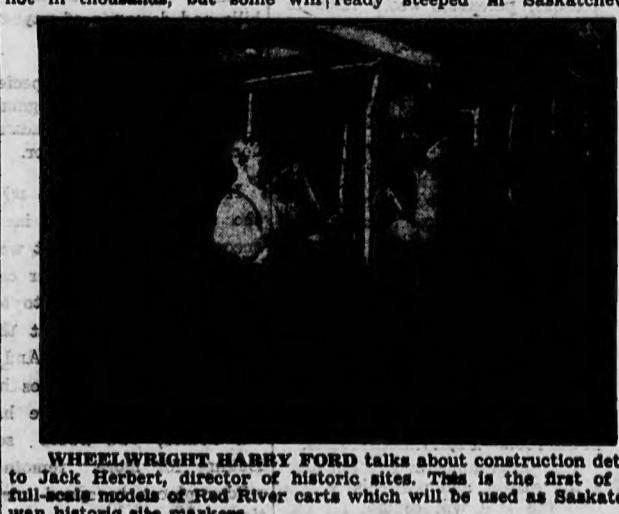
The sound of wheels . . .

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A sound out of the history of the northwest. A sound that tells a story of the fur-trade, of exploration, and of settlement. The sound of pioneers invading a new country. The sound of the Red River carts. From 1801 until after the twin provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta were incorporated into the Dominion of Canada in 1905, the Red River carts piled from settlement to new frontiers. Now, as Saskatchewan celebrates her 50th anniversary, the almost forgotten sound of greaselless wooden wheels turning on hubs of seasoned elm will be heard again—not in thousands, but some will

lock together of the pieces. Getting the right kind of wood was another problem. Manitoba oak is the traditional material used for rims, spokes and axle, but the hubs must be made of sound and seasoned elm because oak will not make a large enough hub to take the necessary drilling. The frame of the rack is made of willow stakes, with planks for the flooring. In all, fifteen carts will be made this year. Those to be used as historic site markers will be set on a concrete platform 16 feet long, with uprights and gabled roof, and a 48 by 84 inch board to tell the story of the site.

Plotting the old trails became another intriguing research project. This task was given to Tom Petty, a retired school principal from Indian Head, and a man already steeped in Saskatchewan



WHEELWRIGHT HARRY FORD talks about construction details to Jack Herbert, director of historic sites. This is the first of the full-scale models of Red River carts which will be used as Saskatchewan historic site markers.

mark where the old territorial trade routes now cross modern highways, and others will receive their day of glory in parade and pageant.

Early in April of this year the first full-scale model of a Red River cart was completed in the wood-working shop of the Regina jail—a joint project of the historic sites branch, Department of Natural Resources, and the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Committee. Harry Ford of Humboldt, who practised the trade of wheelwrighting in England many years ago, is supervising this work. He spent many weeks of research in museums and archives until he was satisfied he had the correct measurements and construction details. He does all the careful hand-craftsmanship required himself. The carts are held together with wooden pegs and an ingenious

'Preserve our Heritage' is the theme of the historic sites program, and indeed the theme of much of the jubilee program. It is expressed in the official history of the province, in the new provincial museum, and in the many local history projects that are being undertaken in communities throughout the province. In the words of the Honorable W. S. Lloyd, "We do get faith for the future by adding up the accomplishments of the past." Our jubilee will also emphasize the opportunities which lie ahead in such projects as competitions for Saskatchewan composers, writers and handicraft workers. Those interested in these competitions may write for details to the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Committee, 22 Government Insurance Building in Regina.

"This Fiftieth Jubilee," writes John Archer, Legislative Librarian, "is going to be a success—or that I am certain. The degree of success will depend on the depth and breadth. The more varied the diet—all the way from popcorn and parlor-mutuels to history and hosannas—and the more extensive the coverage—provincie, community, club and individual—the greater, better, louder, more lasting will be our Jubilee."

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SUMMERFALLOW—GOOD OR BAD

In a recent issue of "Seedtime and Harvest", some of the basic principles of soil management were discussed. With the 1955 summerfallow programme soon to begin in a thorough consideration of these principles would be well worthwhile.

Controlling Perennial Weeds

During the past two or three wet seasons, perennial weeds have increased in many areas. Consequently many farmers may consider it necessary to cultivate their fallow land again and again this summer in order to eradicate these pests. Some of the bad effects of extensive cultivation need to be emphasized here. Overworking the summerfallow can be disastrous in three ways: First, it will prevent the "starvation" of perennial weeds. Second, overworking the soil can result in serious wind and water erosion. And third, a good deal of needless expense may be incurred.

Cultivation to destroy perennial weeds should be made at about two-week intervals. This allows the weed to produce considerable top growth thereby expending a good deal of the stored-up food supplies in the roots—a starvation process.

This programme, carried out over a full season, and particularly late into the fall, will control all but the deep-rooted, persistent perennial weeds.

Provide Protection. A summerfallow which kills a few perennial weeds and results in the loss of many dollars worth of plant food per acre through erosion is not good business. The actual plant food removed by crop production alone is not great, and it is replaceable.

However, the loss of an inch of good topsoil through erosion represents the loss of enough plant food to grow at least fifteen 20-bushel crops of wheat, plus a loss of rich topsoil which it took nature centuries to produce.

A good summerfallow kills weeds but above all it prevents erosion.

People who contribute to charitable causes should be sufficiently interested in their investments to see that such causes are properly administered. Similarly, people who are taxed to provide welfare for less fortunate citizens should be sufficiently interested to see that the welfare is provided only to those who need it.

One cannot be absolutely sure that an article sent by mail will reach its destination, we are reminded. Except in the case of bills and demands of payment of accounts.

The ptarmigan, a species of grouse, is the only game bird that remains in Canada's far north through the winter.

If we had to put up with all the discomforts and inconveniences in our homes that we enjoy so much in our summer camping we would complain to the authorities and insist that they do something about it. And if we had all the conveniences in our summer camps that we have in our homes, we would soon be looking for more remote and wilder places to spend our vacations.

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2. Why does Saskatchewan, with a budget of \$78,000,000 have a reputation throughout Canada for providing higher standards of care for T.B. and Cancer patients than Alberta, with a budget of \$223,000,000?
3. Why is Manitoba, with a budget of \$58,000,000, able to put electric power into the farmer's yard without cost to the farmer; while in Alberta the farmer pays an average of \$1,000 for installation costs?
4. Why does Alberta have the highest municipal per capita tax rate in the three prairie provinces?
5. What has happened to the BILLION AND A QUARTER Mr. Manning has had to spend since 1945?
6. Why has Alberta the highest municipal debt in the three prairie provinces?

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Budgets For 1955-56

ALBERTA.....	223,000,000
SASKATCHEWAN.....	79,000,000
MANITOBA.....	58,000,000

Municipal Debt

ALBERTA.....	187,000,000
SASKATCHEWAN.....	50,000,000
MANITOBA.....	73,000,000

Municipal Taxes Per Capita

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SASKATCHEWAN.....	51.09
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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

RUF FINDS KATY

By T. W. TOBIN

RUF LARKINS was in trouble, but he didn't know why. He knew he was in love but he didn't know that love was causing him trouble. That's what love does to people.

It was Saturday night in the little town of Bellville, and as usual Rufe had driven the 12 miles from the farm to get shaved, buy some chewing tobacco and some nails. What he really came to town for was to see Katy McCullum.

There were others there, too, farmers just like himself, in town to buy a few things and to talk crops. Rufe seldom talked crops. He'd just listen, chew his tobacco and lean up against the front of the post office which was just across the street from old Bob McCullum's hardware store where Katy worked.

Rufe was tall and thin. His face was normally sad. His eyes reminded one of a baby bloodhound.

Every Saturday night, rain or no, Rufe loaded up on chewing tobacco, got a barber shop shave and bought some nails. He didn't need the nails. There were plenty at home, but when he bought nails he got to talk to Katy McCullum.

"What are you going to do with all these nails, Rufe?" Katy would ask.

"Oh, I got a little fixin' up to do on the corn crib," he'd answer.

"Seems like you fixed that corn crib last month," Katy would say as she weighed out a pound or so.

"No, that was the hog pen or the windmill, I forget which."

One Saturday night, the little group in front of the post office was smaller than usual. When Rufe got there his heart seemed to stop—the hardware store was closed.

"Well, Rufe, how's things out your way?" asked Farmer Jones.

"All right, I guess. What's the matter with the hardware store?"

"Old McCullum closed up early so Katy could go to the carnival."

"Where's the carnival?" asked Rufe.

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AVERAGE RANCH

Average size of Alberta ranches are 2,000 acres owned by the individual rancher with 8,000 additional acres under lease from the provincial government. 3145

Canadians get grim souvenirs

Names burned into wood by the terrific heat of an atomic explosion 2,000 yards away are among the souvenirs brought back by Canadian servicemen from Camp Desert Rock, Nevada. The troops, members of the Army's 1 Radiation Detection Unit with attached RCN and RCAF personnel, have just returned from the United States, first Canadians to have participated in an atomic test.

Shortly before the firing of the bomb (equivalent to 35,000 tons of TNT) stencils were cut bearing the names of all Canadians taking part in the exercise. These were positioned on wooden plates and placed about 2,000 yards from ground zero. The explosion generated such heat, even at that distance, that the names were clearly etched into the wood.

In addition to the name plates, each Canadian received an elaborate diploma signed by Atomic Energy Commission Officials which stated that they had participated in "Operation Teapot", code name for the 1955 tests.

Funny and Otherwise

Sandy McTavish, who had worn the same straw hat for 25 years, finally decided to buy a new one. Entering the neighborhood hat shop, he said: "Well, here I am again."

Foreman: "How is it that you're only carrying one sack, when the other hands are carrying two?"

Laborer: "Well, I suppose they're too lazy to make two trips like I do."

Husband (at movie): "Why do you weep and snifle over the imaginary woes of people you don't know?"

Wife: "For the same reason that you cheer when a man you don't know slides into second base."

"You know," said a young know-all to a farmer, "your methods of cultivation are years out of date. I should be surprised if you make \$100 out of that field of oats."

"So would I," came the warm reply, "it's barley."

The Lieutenant entered the Pullman, painfully proud of his shiny gold bars. With the prospect of a big tip, the porter proceeded to butter him up.

"Morning Captain". And a few minutes later: "Find it too warm in here, Major?" In a short time he volunteered, "We're a bit late today, Colonel!" Then, as the Lieutenant made ready to leave: "Brush your coat off for you, General?"

Three minutes afterwards he was inspecting the ten-cent tip. With a bellow that could be heard throughout the station, he shouted at the disappearing officer: "Good-bye, Corporal!"

—W. McLure

Honeybees good pollinators

Honeybees are good pollinators of many crops because both the larvae and adult are dependent upon nectar and pollen for their food. Numerous visitations are required by a single honeybee to secure a load of pollen or nectar. The branched hairs of their bodies are particularly adapted for the collection of pollen. The tongues are capable of collecting minute quantities of nectar that are within their reach in the florets.

The honeybee are known to pollinate some fifty agricultural crops on this continent, and from these crops they store a large surplus of honey and pollen for winter supplies as compared with subsistence quantities stored by other types of bees.

The versatility of the honeybee, in working so many varied crops, makes it more valuable than other species of insects which are limited in the number of crops visited. Native pollinators vary with the seasons, parasites and predators, and although more efficient pollinators on some crops than honeybees, they cannot be controlled by man.

The apiculture division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, Ontario, has shown that honeybees can and do pollinate red clover effectively. Extensive experimental work has been done on apples in the Annapolis valley, and currently work is under way with alsike clover, birdfoot trefoil, blueberries, cucumbers and sunflowers.

Although much experimental work has been done on the individual behavior pattern of honeybees, their reactions under field conditions—that is among competing crops—requires additional study to determine their adaptability to crosspollinate crops under varied conditions of soil or climate.

THE TILLERS



MANITOBA BRANCH CWNA EXECUTIVE—Standing left to right, N. S. McLean, Editorial Chairman (Elmwood Herald); George Kroft, managing secretary-treasurer (Selkirk Enterprise); J. R. McLachlan (Virden Empire Advance); T. E. Wilkins, immediate past president (Killarney Guide); E. Derksen (Carillon News, Steinbach); H. P. Friesen, Commercial Printing Chairman (Winkler Freeman); Mrs. Una Gillespie, (Boulevard Recorder); C. F. Janaway, Advertising Chairman (Portage la Prairie Enterprise); A. H. Leech, Legislative Chairman (St. Vital Lance); C. Hawkins, Membership Chairman (Manitou Western Canadian); A. W. Hanks (St. James Leader). Seated at front are T. M. Beveridge, first vice president (Norwood Press); Miss Helen Marsh, president (Dauphin Herald and Press); and M. A. MacDonald, second vice president (Pilot Mound Sentinel-Courier). Missing from the picture are R. F. Manning (Reston Recorder) and H. Aylwin, Subscription Chairman (Rossburn Review).

Bumper yield seen Alberta winter wheat

Predictions of bumper yields are being made for southern Alberta's record acreage of winter wheat because of the excellent condition in which the crop has come into the growing season and because of the heavy moisture reserves.

Generally speaking, the crop is one of the finest ever seen in over 60 years of winter wheat raising in southern Alberta and many farmers already are predicting average yields of over 50 bushels per acre for themselves.

Estimates

Agriculturists have estimated the acreage in winter wheat in southern Alberta at this time at over 250,000 acres. Some estimates have gone into the neighborhood of 300,000 acres.

Southern Alberta's harvesting of winter wheat crops normally begins in latter July and is completed around the middle of August, thus freeing farmers for cutting and combining spring-sown crops.

Planted unusually late last fall—some farmers east of Lethbridge still were expanding their acreage of winter wheat at the beginning of November—the crop completely escaped damage by streak mosaic, a virus disease which had become a serious problem. There also was little winter killing or other types of damage.

THINGS TO ADMIRE

The patience of a mother with a wilful, wayward child; A public man who always keeps His honor undefiled;

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The man who's not too dignified To lift a fallen child;

Or one who knows what trouble is, But keeps his tongue quite mild;

The friend who can cheer you up With brightness in his face;

The woman who can frankly praise Another's look and grace;

The skill that seems uncanny as At work we see the blind;

The person who at all times is Reliable and kind.

—W. McLure

Grass-alfalfa mixtures said preferable to grasses alone

Grass-alfalfa mixtures should be grown in preference to grasses alone, according to the federal agriculture department. The yield will be about twice as high and the forage will be more nutritive, it says.

If grasses are seeded alone a of perennial legumes is pretty well limited to alfalfa. There are several varieties available on the Canadian market and of these Ladak has proved to be the most suitable on the prairies.

Mixtures of grass and alfalfa are definitely recommended. For hay two pounds per acre of alfalfa should be seeded with the grass, while for pastures one pound per acre is sufficient.



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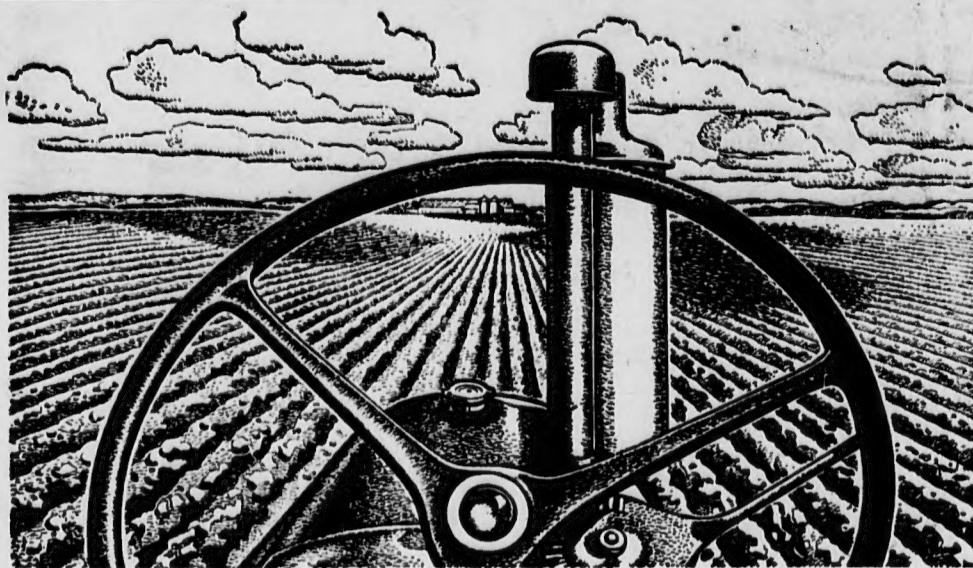
Mrs. McHarry, Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her parents Dr. and Mrs. McIntyre. Also visiting them

was their son Bill, his wife and child of Wetaskiwin.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Horn's son who is a member of the R.C.M.P. at Regina has been seriously ill in

a hospital in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Riddell and two boys of Calgary spent the weekend visiting relatives and calling on friends in Gleichen.



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Gleichen Sales And Service

Mrs. R. B. Hayes has been quite ill lately and is in a Calgary hospital.

A. W. Gilbart found a dog tag 1909 and it is now on display in A. Horn's museum at the town office. Mr. Gilbart picked up the tag on the main street and how it got there your guess is as good as any. The tag proves one thing that in 1909 Gleichen dog owners had to pay dog licenses.

Mrs. Angus McLeay had the misfortune to fall down stairs one day last week. Fortunately she was not seriously hurt.

George Varndell and R. McLeay of Calgary spent Sunday in town visiting relatives and friends.

Frank Michael underwent an operation in the Bassano hospital last week and is now doing fine.

Mrs. Frank Daw, a former resident of the Gleichen district has been quite ill in a Calgary hospital.

The Call needs your co-operation. We want all the news we can get, but find it impossible to avoid missing many things. We are pleased to receive local items and are most anxious to mention your company or visitors as we

are your neighbors. If any of our readers know of a personal item, an accident, a marriage or a birth, that is of local interest, we will be very glad to publish same if handed to us personally, by mail or phone. If you are passing this office drop in with any items you may have. We cannot publish anonymous contributions. We must know who sends them in. Important late news will be welcome up to the last minute but other copy should reach us as early as possible.

Mrs. Iris Fox, one of Gleichen's telephone operators was taken ill last week and later moved to a Calgary hospital.

While irrigation schemes were being completed in Alberta there was great wealth discovered deep down under the sod. More than three quarters of the coal reserves of Canada are in Alberta and, in 1948 alone, more than 42 million dollars worth of this was mined. Alberta's oil history really starts with the drilling of Royalties No. 6 in Turner Valley. This well produced 21,000,000 cubic feet of gas and 500 barrels of oil daily. In 1936, another well produced 850 barrels daily. In addition to light oil, from which gasoline is readily made, heavy black oil was found that is as thick as molasses and is capa-

ble of being used for asphalt, diesel fluid etc. A new demand for oil products was created by World War 2 and by the mechanization of farms. Some \$50,000,000 was spent on oil and gas exploration between 1943 and 1948. The Turner field has declined but the Lloydminster, Leduc, Redwater and other fields are now producing about 260,000 barrels daily. The first discovery of gas was in the Medicine Hat field in 1902 at a depth of only 125 feet. It was found that, by drilling deeper, a gas flow of higher pressure could be secured. It has been used for heating, cooking and industrial purposes ever since.

MASSACHUSETTS WOMAN NAMED PRESIDENT

Mrs. Gertrude W. Eiseman of Boston Mass. was named President of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, at the annual meeting of The Mother Church attended by church members from many parts of the world.

Mrs. Eiseman has been active in various capacities in the Christian Science movement for many years. A native of New York city, she is now a Christian Science practitioner in Boston. Her appointment was announced by the Christian Science Board of Directors. The term is for one year.

Prior to devoting her full time to the public practice of Christian Science healing, Mrs. Eiseman was very active on various philanthropic and civic boards. During the Second World War, she served on the Christian Science War Relief Committee.

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